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SUBJECT: CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE, AND PRESS BRIEFING, APRIL 27, 1977 - ZAIRE

1. PARAS 2 AND 3 CONTAIN CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED APRIL 27 FOR USE IN NOON PRESS BRIEFING. THESE QUESTIONS DID NOT ARISE; PARA 4 IS EXCERPT ON ZAIRE FROM DEPARTMENT BRIEFING APRIL 27. US PRESS COVERAGE OF CONFLICT IN ZAIRE HAS BEEN LIGHT DURING LAST FEW DAYS.

2. Q. WHAT ABOUT THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES IN THE AREA OF SHABA HELD BY THE INVADERS?
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A. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY CONTACT WITH AMERICAN MISSIONARIES WITHIN THE INVADER-HELD TERRITORY FOR APPROXIMATELY TH- LAST WEEK. THIS COULD BE DUE TO ANY NUMBER OF FACTORS AND WE ARE NOTPREPARED TO DRAW ANY CONCLUSIONS FROM THIS DEVELOPMENT.

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3. Q. HAVE YOU ANY INFORMATION ABOUT GOVERNMENT FORCES MISTREATING THE INHABITANTS OF THE RECAPTURED TERRITORY, WHO REPORTEDLY HAD GREETED THE INVADERS WARMLY?

A. NO, I HAVE NOTHING ON THAT.

4. Q. RADIO HAVANA SAID THIS MORNING THAT THE REASON ZAIRE AND MOROCCAN TROOPS HAVE HAD THOSE VICTORIES IS BECAUSE THE KATANGANS ARE REGROUPING FOR GUERRILLA WARFARE. DO YOU HAVE ANY INDICATION THAT THEY ARE NOT GOING BACK TO ANGOLA AND ARE STAYING IN SHABA?

A. I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING -- ANYTHING I WOULD HAVE SEEN FROM CABLES AND NEWS STORIES THAT WOULD SUBSTANTIATE A CLEAR PATTERN OF WHAT THE KATANGANS ARE DOING -- WHAT THE INVADERS ARE DOING. I JUST DON'T KNOW. WHAT THEY AREN'T DOING APPARENTLY FROM EVERYTHING I READ, IS FIGHTING.
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